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Filed :August 20, 2001 Examiner: V.Balasubramanian
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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER'S DECISION TO
THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal from the decision of the Examiner mailed May 1, 2003 finally rejecting pending claims 1,3,4,7,10-12,14,21,22,24,25,27 and 28 in the above-identified application.

A response to the May 1, 2003 Final Office Action was originally due August 1, 2003. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition For A Three-Month Extension of Time. With a three-month extension of time, the due date for filing a response to the May 1, 2003 Final Office Action is November 1, 2003. However, since November 1, 2003 falls on a Saturday, a response filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, i.e. Monday, November 3, 2003, is considered timely filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today and this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

The required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) for filing a

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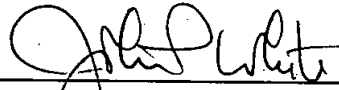
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The required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) for filing a Notice of Appeal for a large entity is THREE-HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$330.00). Authorization is hereby given to charge the required fee of THREE-HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$330.00) to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

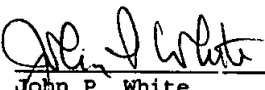
No fee, other than the required \$330.00 fee, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Notice of Appeal. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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